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REMARKS

Claims 1-39 are pending in the application.

Claims 1-39 are original.

Claims 1-39 are subject to a restriction requirement.

The specification is amended to insert a cross-reference to related applications after the title.

Elections/Restrictions

Applicants hereby elect without traverse the invention of Group 3, Claims 1-16 (compounds), 19 (process of making), 29 (composition), 32-34 and 37-39 (methods of use or treatment) – part of each, drawn to the subject matter of formula (I) wherein X₂ is nitrogen while X₁ and X₃ independently represent CR₆, classified in classes 514 and 544, various subclasses depending on substituents.

Benefit of Priority Under 35 U.S.C. § 119(e)

Applicants have amended the specification to add a claim for domestic priority under 35 U.S.C. § 119(e) from United States Provisional Patent Application number 60/268,661, filed February 14, 2001.

Conclusion

Applicants believe that a proper response to the restriction requirement has been made and request consideration of the pending claims of the elected invention.

The Commissioner is hereby authorized to charge any fees that may be required, or credit any overpayment, to deposit account number 23-0455.

The undersigned would welcome a telephone call from the Examiner to discuss any matters related to this case that the Examiner thinks are amenable to resolution by such discussion.

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